IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

Disclosed is a method and system for wafer/probe testing of integrated circuit devices after manufacture. The invention begins by testing, wherein an initial group of devices (e.g., integrated circuit chips) is tested to produce an initial failing group of devices that failed the testing. The devices in the initial failing group are identified by type of failure. Then, the invention retests the devices in the initial failing group are retested to identify a retested passing group of devices that passed the retesting. Next, the invention analyzes the devices in the retested passing group which allows the invention are analyzed to produce statistics regarding the likelihood that a failing device that failed the initial testing will pass the retesting according to the type of failure. Then, the invention evaluates these statistics are evaluated to determine which types of failures have retest passing rates above a predetermined threshold. From this, the invention produces a database is produced that includes comprising an optimized retest table listing the types of defects that are approved for retesting.